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other paper would be issued. It is respectfully asserted that this paper is responsive to all points raised in the Office Action.

Claims 1-35 are pending in the above-listed patent application.

In Paragraph 1 of the Office Action, claims 2-62 are indicated as pending in the instant application. Applicants respectfully assert that claims 1-35 are pending in the instant application. Accordingly, it is respectfully asserted that the objection to claims 2-6 is inadvertent, as claim 1 is presently pending and has not been withdrawn.

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, reference is made to claims 42-44. As these claims are not present in the instant application, it is respectfully asserted that the objection detailed in this paragraph is inapplicable here.

In paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Office Action, claims 36-41 have been rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. As these claims are not present in the instant application, it is respectfully asserted that this rejection is inapplicable here.

In paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Office Action, claims 48 and 51 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b). As these claims are not present in the instant application, it is respectfully asserted that this rejection is inapplicable here.

In paragraphs 7-11 of the Office Action, claims 36-38, 39, 40 and 41 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a). As these claims do not exist in the instant application, it is respectfully asserted that this rejection is inapplicable here.

In paragraph 12, claims 7-35, 45-47 and 52-62 are allowed. Applicants note these allowed clams, but also note that claims 45-47 and 52-62 are not present in this application.

Applicants also note Paragraphs 13, 14 and 16, where claims 42-44, and 49 and 50 are noted. However, these claims are not present in this application.

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With respect to Paragraph 15, the applicant notes the Reasons For Allowance of claims 7-35. Applicants reserve the right to comment on these Reasons For Allowance should they be maintained in a later Office Action or other paper from the Examiner.

The applicants note the Examiner's citations of Donaldson (U.S. Patent No. 6,234,418), Woodgate (U.S. Patent No. 4,580,766), Zurcher (U.S. Patent No. 4,875,639), Colens (U.S. Patent Nos. 6,389,329 and 6,532,404), Colens (U.S. Patent Application Publication US2002/0120364A1) and Ruffner (U.S. Patent Application Publication US2002/0156556A1) and the consideration (initialing on forms PTO/SB/08A) of Bisset, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,493,612), Jones, et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0025472A1) and Jones (U.S. Patent Application Publication Publicat

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Allowance of all pending claims, 1-35, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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